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House Bill 844

By: Representatives Levitas of the 82nd, Sellier of the 136th, Maddox of the 172nd, Black of the 174th, Burns of the 157th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices, so
- 3 as to prohibit unscrupulous practices regarding the marketing and sale of insurance; to
- 4 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to enumeration of
- 8 unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices, is amended by
- 9 revising paragraph (14) of subsection (b) and adding a new paragraph (14.1) to read as
- 10 follows:
- 11 "(14) Failing to disclose in printed advertising material that medical benefits are
- calculated on the basis of usual, customary, and reasonable charges; or
- 13 (14.1) Engaging in dishonest, unfair, or deceptive insurance practices in marketing or
- 14 sales of insurance and, notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the
- 15 <u>Commissioner may promulgate such rules and regulations as necessary to define</u>
- dishonest, unfair, or deceptive marketing and sales practices; or

17 SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.